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In the Matter of Heller Information Services, Inc. Request for Review of the Universal Service Administrative Company's Rejection of a Revised FCC Form 499-A for FY-2003

Cc: 06-122 CC: 96-45

CONTINGENT PETITION FOR REVIEW

Heller Information Services, Inc. ("Heller"), by its attorney and pursuant to Section 54.719(c) of the FCC Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 54.719(c), respectfully seeks Commission review of an action by the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") rejecting Heller's revised FCC Form 499-A for Fiscal Year 2003.

A. INTRODUCTION

Heller is an internet service provider based in Rockville, Maryland, offering a variety of 1. internet access services (dial-up, ISDN, DSL, dedicated T-1, etc.). On February 13, 2006, Heller submitted to USAC its FCC Form 499-A worksheets for FY-2003 ("Initial 2003 Report") with the intention of reporting revenue attributable solely to its DSL-related internet access services. On or about May 23, 2006, Heller submitted revised worksheets ("Corrected 2003 Report"), 2 correcting inadvertent but nonetheless substantial errors and inaccuracies in the initial filing. USAC refused to accept and process the Corrected 2003 Report on the grounds that it was not submitted within a one year revision period prescribed by the Commission.³ Heller demonstrates herein that the Corrected 2003 Report is not barred by the one year limitation or, in the alternative, that the limitation should be waived. Heller thus seeks an order directing USAC to accept and process the Corrected 2003 Report, subject to the contingency discussed in the following paragraph.

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Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; 1998 Biennial Regulatory Review, CC Docket No. 96-45, Order, 20 FCC Red 1012 (WCB 2004).

B. USF CONTRIBUTION AND REPORTING INAPPLICABLE TO HELLER

- 2. Although it had never previously made any USAC filings or direct universal service fund ("USF") contributions, in early 2006 Heller submitted the *Initial 2003 Report* because it had been advised that its DLS internet access service offering were subject to such obligations. This advice was, as it turns out, incorrect.
- 3. Heller is not a facilities-based provider of transport services or transmission capacity. Heller does not own any transport infrastructure, but rather leases from unaffiliated telecommunications service providers such capacity as it requires for its internet access services. All of the Heller service offerings, including the DSL access services specifically relevant to the above-captioned matter, are therefore properly classified as "information services" for regulatory purposes. Broadband Access to the Internet over Wireline Facilities, CC Docket No. 02-33, Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 20 FCC Rcd 14853, 14892-14893 (2005), review pending sub nom., Time Warner Telecommunications v. FCC, No. 05-4769 (and consolidated cases) (3rd Cir., filed Oct. 26, 2005) Heller thus not subject to direct USF contribution obligations or USAC reporting requirements—rather, it contributes indirectly to the USF through the federal surcharges included in the lease fees and service rates it pays to the facilities based telecommunications service providers. Id.
- 4. Neither the *Initial 2003 Report* nor the *Corrected 2003 Report* should have been filed, and Heller will be taking appropriate steps to withdraw them. The relief requested herein (i.e., review and reversal of USAC's rejection of the *Corrected 2003 Report*) is thus contingent and is requested out of an abundance of caution only to the extent that (a) the FCC disagrees Heller's assessment of the regulatory classification of its services, and/or (b) Heller is unable to successfully withdraw the previously submitted USAC reports.⁴

⁴ Pursuant to Section 5(d) of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. § 554(e), and Section 1.2 of the FCC Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.2, we respectfully ask the Commission to remove any doubt by affirmatively declaring that Heller's internet access services are "information services," not subject to direct USF contribution or reporting obligations.

C. FACTUAL AND PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

- 5. In early 2006, Heller was contacted by a representative of Verizon, which had recently assumed from MCI WorldCom the provisioning of Heller's DSL lines. The call was fielded by a former Heller bookkeeper, who was advised (or at least understood) that Heller was being presented with two options regarding the DSL lines: (a) incur a substantial increase in the lease rates, or (b) file its own reports directly with USAC and make its own USF contributions. Thinking this to be primarily a bookkeeping/accounting matter—the preparation and submission of financial reports keyed to service revenue—it was referred to Heller's accountant, Moses Alade, C.P.A. ("Alade").
- 6. When asked to prepare the necessary USAC filing, Alade obtained the reporting forms and procedures from the USAC web site. Having been told that Heller's DSL services were subject USF contribution and reporting obligations, and concerned about possible liability for past failure to comply, Alade advised Heller to submit to USAC a current report (i.e., the one most recently due) plus a report for the preceding two fiscal years. It was in this context that, on February 13, 2006, Heller submitted the *Initial 2003 Report*.
 - 7. Soon afterward Heller noticed the following inaccuracies and errors:
 - Incorrect DSL Revenue Figure. As previously explained, Heller's purpose and intention in making the USAC filing was to report its revenues attributable to DSL internet access service which it was incorrectly assumed were subject to USF obligations. Not having accounting information that allowed her to allocate revenue to different types of internet access service, Heller's bookkeeper erroneously assumed that roughly one-third of gross revenue was attributable to DLS services. Based on a gross revenue figure of \$1,281,153 for FY-2003, she advised Alade that one-third of that amount (\$427,051) was attributable to DSL services, and this was the figure Alade entered it in the FCC Form 499-A at Item 406: "local private line and special access service." The actual FY-2003 DSL revenue was only \$94,471. Thus, the DSL revenue figure in the *Initial 2003 Report* was overstated by more than 450%.
 - (b) Erroneous Entry for Long Distance Revenue. The remaining balance of two-thirds of the FY-2003 (\$854,102) was reported in the FCC Form 499-A at Item 415: "long distance private line services." This was a clerical error. Heller does not provide any long distance or private line services. The balance of revenue not attributable to DSL service should, therefore, have been reported at Item 418, not Item 415.

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In earlier years one-third of gross revenue for DSL may have closer to actual revenue, but the percentage of DLS subscribers has declined in recent years with the emergence of alternative modes of high speed internet access. Heller stopped offering new DSL service in 2004, and since then has seen its revenues drop considerably as the existing DSL subscribers migrate to other modes. Heller's 2005 DSL-related revenue was only \$65,918, and it will continue to decline.

- (c) Incorrect Universal Service Base Amount. The gross FY-2003 revenue figure of \$1,281,152 was reported at Item 419: "gross billed revenues from all sources," Item 420: "universal service contribution base amount," and Item 423: "net universal service contribution base amount." This is overstated due to a combination of the erroneous attribution of one-third of the revenue to DLS services reported at Item 406, and the misplacement of the balance at Item 415. Had the accurate DSL revenue figure been reported at Item 406, and the balance of the revenue correctly reported at Item 418, the base amount would have been only of \$94,471. The Initial 2003 Report thus overstated the USF contribution base amount by more than one million dollars (\$1,000,000).
- 8. On or about May 23, 2006, Heller submitted the *Corrected 2003 Report*"), in which:

 (a) the FY-2003 gross revenue figure (\$1,281,152) is reported at Item 419; (b) the accurate portion of that attributable to DSL revenue (\$94,471) is reported at Item 406, (b) the balance (\$1,281,152) is reported at of FY-2003 gross revenue) is reported at Item 419; and (c) the resulting accurate universal service contribution base amount (\$94,471) is thus reported at Items 420 and 423.
- 9. On June 9, 2006, USAC issued a letter rejecting the *Corrected 2003 Report*, stating: "[W]e are unable to accept the revision because it was not filed within one year of the original submission." Heller submitted a timely appeal of this ruling on August 8, 2006, explaining that the *Initial 2003 Report* had been based on an inaccurate allocation of revenue figures. USAC denied the appeal by a letter ruling dated May 21, 2007. USAC ruled that the deadline for submitting any revisions to an FCC Form 499-A filing for FY-2003 was January 10, 2006, making Heller's May 23, 2006, submission of the *Corrected 2003 Report* untimely. Upon USAC's denial of the letter appeal, Heller retained special regulatory counsel to seek Commission review or other appropriate relief.

C. TIMELINESS OF THE CORRECTED 2003 REPORT

10. In refusing to accept and process the Corrected 2003 Report, USAC pointed to the one year firm deadline for submitting upward revisions (i.e., changes that would result in a decreased USF contribution) adopted by the Commission in 2005. Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; 1998 Biennial Regulatory Review, CC Docket No. 96-45, Order, 20 FCC Rcd 1012 (WCB 2004) ("Form 499-A Revision Order"). The strict application of the one year limitation in this particular situation would not be

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proper. The Form 499-A Revision Order contemplates filers having a full 12 month period in which to discover and correct errors in their submitted works heets. Heller submitted its corrections approximately three months after the initial submission.

- 11. The *Initial 2003 Report* was Heller's first Form 499-A filing ever, and it was unfamiliar with the procedures. It was, to be sure, being late-filed, well after the applicable deadline, but this was understandable and justifiable for the reasons already discussed in the preceding sections of this pleading. Moreover, precisely because of a desire to get the report on file as soon as possible, it was prepared quickly which increased the likelihood of errors. The Commission presumably desires that filers correct any failure to make timely submissions as soon as possible upon discovery. But a policy that would deny the filer any opportunity to correct errors would be a disincentive to prompt correction.
- 12. The underlying purpose of the one year deadline is to will promote "administrative efficiency and certainty for the contribution systems for universal service" and to "ensure the stability and sufficiency of the federal universal service fund." Form 499-A Revision Order, 20 FCC Rcd 1012 (WCB 2004). Under normal circumstances, i.e., when the initial annual report is submitted by the April 1 deadline, USF funds will have been collected prior to the expiration of the one year revision period. Adjustments after funds have already been collected, and possibly even disbursed, can be problematic. In the unique circumstances of this case, however, the timing is such that Heller's revision was tendered just three months after the initial filing, and prior to the contribution or disbursement of any funds based on the report. Acceptance of the Heller's Corrected 2003 Report, therefore, would not adversely affect the efficiency, certainty, stability, or sufficiency of the fund.
- 13. It is respectfully submitted, therefore, that the Commission did not, in adopting a one year deadline for revising Form 499-A filings, intend to foreclose any and all opportunity to correct a late-filed report. Perhaps an entire year is not warranted, but the roughly 100 day interval between Heller's Corrected 2003 Report and its Corrected 2003 Report, being less than one-third of the standard 12 month revision period, was not unreasonably long.

Assuming the one year revision deadline does technically apply, it should nonetheless be waived in these circumstances. First, the arguments advanced in the preceding paragraphs for the inapplicability of the deadline also support a waiver. In addition, the magnitude of the error is so great that equitable relief is dictated. While the correct gross revenue figure was reported, the amount subject to USF contribution and annual regulatory fees was overstated by more than one million dollars due simply to the clerical error of reporting the figure on the wrong line of the form. If held to the erroneous report, the impact in terms of USF fees, regulatory fees, and any delinquency penalties would be devastating for Heller, a very small business. The Commission is therefore urged to rule either that the Corrected 2003 Report was timely or to waive the one-year limitation.

WHEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, it is requested that the Commission declare that Heller's non-facilities-based provision of internet access services constitutes "information service" and not subject to direct USF contribution or USAC reporting requirements. Alternatively, it is requested that the Commission review and reverse the action of USAC rejecting Heller's Corrected 2003 Report as untimely, and (based either on a determination that the one-year time limit for revisions is inapplicable or on a waiver of it) direct USAC to accept and process the corrected report. Finally, it is requested that the Commission direct both USAC (with respect to USF contributions) and other appropriate Commission staff or contractors (with respect to regulatory fees) to correct information in their databases to conform with this ruling.

Respectfully submitted,

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Block 1: Contributor Identification Information 111 Telephone number for customer complaints and inquiries [Toll-free number if available] 112 All trade names that you have used in the past 3 years in providing telecommunications. 110 Complete business address for customer inquiries and complaints 109 Complete mailing address of reporting entity 108 Management company [if carrier is managed by another entity] 107 FCC Registration Number (FRN) [https://svartifoss2.fcc.gov/cores/CoresHome.html [For assistance, contact the CORES help desk at 877-480-3201 or CORES@fcc.gov] 106 b Holding company IRS employer identification number 106 a Holding company name (All affiliated companies must show the same name on this line.) 105 Telecommunications activities of filer [Select up to 5 boxes that best describe the reporting entity. Enter numbers starting with "1" to show the order of importance — see directions.] 104 Name telecommunications service provider is doing business as 103 IRS employer identification number 102 Legal name of reporting entity 101 Filer 499 ID [If you don't know your number, contact the administrator at (973)-580-4460. fersons making willful false statements in the worksheet can be punished by fine or imprisonment under title 18 of the united states,code, 18 This should include all names by which you are identified on customer bills. [if different from address entered on Line 109] If you are a new filer, write "new" in this block and a Filer 499 (D will be assigned to you.) corporate headquarters HELLER INFORMATION SERVICES, INC. Shared-Tenant Service Provider / Building LEC Payphone Service Provider Incumbent LEC If Other Local, Other Mobile or Other Toll is checked, describe carrier type / services provided: -> Interexchange Carrier (IXC) CAP/CLEC Use an additional sheet if necessary. Each reporting entity must provide all names used for carrier activities. Prepaid Card >>> Please read instructions before completing. <<< Annual Filing — due April 1. Other Local 1 Local Reseller _ SMR (dispatch) Cellular/PCS/SMR (wireless telephony incl. by resale) During the year, carriers must refile Blocks 1, 2 and 6 if there are any changes in Lines 104 or 112. See Instructions. SAME 3 Š X ,N/A 듯 30 WEST GUDE ROAD, STE 220 ROCKVILLE, MD 20850 0014639215 (301) 255-0500 0014639215 HELLER INFORMATION SERVICES, INC. 52-1617802 HELLER INFORMATION SERVICES, INC · 無學院表籍以聖朝· 监狱下院 医丁基氏 也必须 Toll Reseller __ Private Service Provider Other Mabile Operator Service Provider (OSP) Paging & Messaging Other Toll Coaxial Cable Wireless Data Satellite Service Provider U.S.C. \$1001

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| heather@his.com | 217 E-mail of total/alternate agent |
| (301) 424-4635 | 216 Fax number of local/alternate agent |
| (301) 255-0502 | 215 Telephoraenumber of local/alternate agent |
| HEATHER HELLER | 214 Local/alternate Agent for Service of Process (optional) |
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| | 209 D.C. Agent for Service of Process per 47 U.S.C. §413 |
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| 30 WEST GUDE DRIVE ROCKVILLE, MD 20850 | [Plan administrators will send bills for contributions to this address. Please attach a written request for alternative billing arrangements.] |
| PAUL HELLER | 208 Billing address and billing contact person: |
| ROCKVILLE, MD 20850 | Reporting Worksheets should be sent |
| PAUL HELLER | 207 Corporate office, attn. name, and mailing |
| moşesa@mosesalade.com | 206 E-mail of this person |
| (301) 497-9974 | 205 Fax number of this person |
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Universal Service Administrative Company

June 09, 2006

Atm: Moses Alade
Heller Information Service, Inc.
30 West Gude Road
Suite 220
Rockville, MD 20850

Form 499 Filer ID: 825704

RE: 2004 FCC Form 499-A Revision Rejection

The Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) has completed a review of the Revised FCC Form 499-A that you submitted for the purpose of revising revenue reported by 825704 Heller Information Service, Inc. for the period 2003. Based on the information provided, we are unable to accept the revision because it was not filed within one year of the original submission.

If you wish to appeal this decision with USAC, your appeal must be postmarked no later than 60 days after the date of USAC's rejection letter. Appeals postmarked after 60 days from the date of this letter will be automatically dismissed.

In the event that you choose to appeal the decision, you should follow these guidelines:

- Write a "Letter of Appeal to USAC" explaining why you disagree with this Form 499-Q rejection letter and identify the outcome that you request.
- Be sure to refer to CC Docket No. 96-45 on all communication with the FCC.
- The appeal must identify the "Legal Reporting Name" and "Filer 499 ID".
- Provide necessary contact information. Please list the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and e-mail
 address (if available) of the person who can most readily discuss this appeal with USAC.
- Explain the appeal to the USAC. Please provide documentation to support your appeal.
- Attach a photocopy of this Revised Form 499-Q Rejection decision that you are appealing.
- Mail your letter to:
 Letter of Appeal
 USAC
 2000 L Street, NW, Suite 200
 Washington, DC 20036
- Appeals submitted by fax, telephone call, and e-mail will not be processed.

The response will indicate whether USAC:

- Agrees with your letter of appeal, and approves an outcome that is different from the Revised Form 499-Q
 Rejection Letter; or
- Disagrees with your letter of appeal, and the reasons therefore.

If you disagree with USAC's response to your "letter of appeal," you may file an appeal with the FCC within 60 days of the date USAC issued its decision in response to your "Letter of Appeal." Again, please note your appeal must be postmarked no later than 60 days after the date of the Appeal Decision. Appeals postmarked after 60 days from the date of USAC's response to your appeal will be automatically dismissed. The FCC rules governing the appeals process (Part 54 of Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations 54.719 – 54.725) are available on the FCC web site (www.fcc.gov).

Please be sure to refer to CC Docket No. 96-45 on all communication with the FCC. The appeal must also provide your company's name and Filer ID, plus necessary contact information, including the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address of the person filing the appeal. Unless the appeal is by ECFS, please include a copy of the decision at issue.

Appeals submitted via the United States Postal Service, should be sent to the address below (For security purposes, hand-delivered or messenger-delivered documents will not be accepted at this Washington, DC address):

Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 445 – 12th Street, SW Room TW-A325 Washington, DC 20554

Documents sent by hand-delivery or messenger should be sent to the following address:

Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 9300 East Hampton Drive Capitol Heights, MD 20743 (8:00 A.M. – 5:30 P.M. ET)

Appeals may also be submitted to the FCC electronically, either by the Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or by fax. The FCC recommends filing with the ECFS to ensure timely filing. Instructions for using ECFS can be found on the ECFS page of the FCC web site. Appeals to the FCC filed by fax must be faxed to 202-418-0187. Electronic appeals will be considered filed on a business day if they are received at any time before 12:00 A.M. (midnight), Eastern Standard Time. Fax transmissions will be considered filed on a business day if the complete transmission is received at any time before 12:00 A.M.

If you have questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact USAC Customer Service at (888) 641-8722 Option 1, Option 2.

Sincerely,

USAC



Letter of Appeal

August 8, 2006

USAC 2000 L Street NW, Suite 200 Washington, DC 20036

RE: 2004 FCC Form 499-A Revision Rejection

CC Docket No. 96-45

Legal Reporting Name: Heller Information Services, Inc.

Filer 499 ID: 825704

To Whom it may concern:

This letter is to appeal the rejection, on the basis that it was filed more than one year after the original submission, of our Revised FCC Form 499-A. The revision was actually submitted on 5/25/2006, less than one month after our original incorrect submittal of 4/28/2006.

Heller Information Services is an internet service provider focusing primarily on web hosting and email services. We resell a decreasing number of DSL circuits provided by Verizon. Verizon informed us in January of 2006 that we had to begin filing form 499-A.

On advice of our accountant, we submitted our filing for 2004 on 4/28/2006. Unfortunately, our accountant secured incorrect sales information from our bookkeeper, who incorrectly assumed that one third of our gross sales related to DSL services rather than using the actual figures for DSL services, which are far smaller.

Attached are the sales figures resulting from the DSL lines purchased from Verizon, listed by the dates of service covered.

The revenue resulting for the year 2003 was \$128,879.78. This is different than previously reported.

The revenue in year 2004 was \$92,482.15, qualifying for a deminimus filing. The revenue in year 2005 was \$65,918.25, also qualifying for a deminimus filing.

Our DSL revenue for 2006 will be smaller than for 2005 because we stopped offering this product to new customers in 2004 and most customers have cancelled their accounts in favor of lower-cost or faster access purchased from other providers.

Contact Information: Paul R. Heller 30 West Gude Dr., Suite 220 Rockville, MD 20850 Office #: 301-255-0501 Fax # 301-424-4635

Email: ph@his.com



Administrator's Decision on Contributor Appeal

May 21, 2007

BY CERTIFIED MAIL

Paul R. Heller Heller Information Services, Inc. 30 West Gude Drive, Suite 220 Rockville, MD 20850

Re: Heller Information Services, Inc. (Filer ID #825704)

Dear Mr. Heller:

The Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) has completed an evaluation of the letter of appeal submitted on behalf of Heller Information Services, Inc. (Heller), dated August 8, 2006 (Appeal). Your Appeal requests USAC's acceptance of a revised Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet (Worksheet) reporting revenue for 2003.

Procedural Background

On December 9, 2004, the Federal Communications Commission issued the Form 499-A Revision Order, which, among other things, adopted a one-year deadline for revisions to Worksheets. Because the 499-A Revision Order became effective after the filing deadline for the Worksheet reporting 2003 revenue, which was April 1, 2004, contributors were permitted to submit revised Worksheets that would result in a decreased universal service obligation for 2003 only, up to twelve months following the effective date of the Order. The Worksheet had a due date of April 1, 2004 and a revision deadline of January 10, 2006 for submissions which would result in a decrease in universal service contribution obligations.²

¹ See Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; 1998 Biennial Regulatory Review — Streamlined Contributor Reporting Requirements Associated with Administration of Telecommunications Relay Service, North American Numbering Plan, Local Number Portability, and Universal Service Support Mechanisms; Changes to the Board of Directors of the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc., CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 98-71, 97-21, Order, DA 04-3669, 20 FCC Red 1012 (2004) (Form 499-A Revision Order).

² See id.

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On February 13, 2006, Heller filed a Worksheet, reporting 2003 revenue, which USAC processed. USAC relied on revenue as reported by Heller on this Worksheet and posted adjustments reflecting Heller's 2003 universal service obligation of \$108,891.18 to Heller's April, May, and June 2006 invoices.

Heller submitted a revised Worksheet on May 23, 2006, which, if processed, would decrease Heller's universal service contributions. The deadline for filing downward revisions had expired on January 10, 2006, and USAC rejected the revised Worksheet for failure to file within one year of the original submission.³

Decision on Appeal: Denied

Heller submitted the revised Worksheet after the January 10, 2006 deadline for submitting revisions to this form resulting in downward adjustments of universal service contribution obligations established by the *Form 499-A Revision Order*.

Although not referenced in Heller's appeal, because USAC's review indicates late filing fees for the February 1, 2005, May 2, 2005 and August 1, 2005 Worksheets, each in the amount of \$100, were incorrectly assessed, USAC will reverse these charges and reflect the corrections on Heller's June 2007 invoice.

If you wish to further appeal this decision, you may file an appeal with the FCC. Detailed instructions for filing appeals are available at:

http://www.universalservice.org/fund-administration/contributors/file-appeal

Sincerely,

USAC

cc: Regina Dorsey, FCC Office of Managing Director Hillary DeNigro, FCC Enforcement Bureau Trent Harkrader, FCC Enforcement Bureau

³ See USAC letter dated June 9, 2006. Although USAC's June 9, 2006 letter rejecting the Worksheet indicated the revision deadline was one year from the original date of submission, the Form 499 Revision Order had established a revision deadline of January 10, 2006 for the Worksheet reporting 2003 revenue only. Regardless of the clerical error contained in the rejection letter, USAC was correct in rejecting the revision because if was submitted after the January 10, 2006 deadline.

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that on this 20th day of July, 2007, I caused copies of the foregoing pleading to be sent by first class United States mail, postage prepaid, to the following:

David Capozzi, Acting General Counsel Universal Service Administrative Company 2000 L Street, N.W. Suite 200 Washington, D.C. 20036

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